



Robert Thune Adkins

May 13, 1926 - December 6, 2023

Dr. Robert Adkins, 97, passed away on December 6, 2023 at Citizens Memorial Healthcare Facility. He was the husband of Connie Adkins. They shared 6 years of marriage together.

Robert was born in Omaha, Nebraska on May 13, 1926 to Lester and Zelma Adkins. He attended Stanford University with a Master's Degree in Business and then the University of Arkansas with a PhD in Business Management and Finance.

He was a member of First Baptist Church. Robert also served in the Air Force during WWII and the Korean War as a navigator.

He was preceded in death by his parents and oldest son, Robert Adkins, Jr. on April 5, 2023.

He is survived by his wife, Connie; daughter, Deborah Martinez; son, Steven Adkins and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be Thursday, December 14, 2023 from 5-7 PM at Butler Funeral Home in Bolivar.

Funeral Services will be Friday, December 15, 2023 at 11 PM in the funeral home with burial to follow at 1 PM at the Missouri Veterans Cemetery in Springfield, MO.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations to the St. Jude Children's Hospital.

Cemetery Details

Springfield Veteran's Cemetery

5201 S Southwood Rd
Springfield, MO 65804

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **14**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Butler Funeral Home - Bolivar
407 E. Broadway
Bolivar, MO 65613
(417) 326-5233
<https://butlerfuneralhome.com/>

Funeral Service

DEC **15**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Interment

DEC **15**. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JA

“ I was sorry to hear of Bob's passing. I worked with him at SBU in the late 1980's. I recall his contributions to the School of Business and he was a pleasure to work with. Please know that your family will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Jerald Andrews - December 14, 2023 at 01:49 PM

DJ

“ Did Dr Adkins teach business at Southwest Baptist University? If so, I loved having him as an instructor. He was a great teacher. There was something about his personality that made me feel comfortable talking to him.

Darryl Jones - December 11, 2023 at 07:16 PM

DM

Yes, Dr. Adkins was the Dean of the Business Department at SBU for years!

Deborah Martinez - December 14, 2023 at 10:47 AM